

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently amended) A multiwell plate comprising a laminated body of sheets wherein the laminated body has plural hollow portions, each of which holds a water adsorbent material, and a sheet of the bottom of the body is removable from the body.

2. (Withdrawn) The multiwell plate according to claim 1, comprising:

- (a) a bottom sheet;
- (b) a removal sheet adhered on the bottom sheet and having plural through-holes;
- (c) a spacer sheet adhered on the removal sheet, having through-holes whose diameter is substantially same with the through-hole of the removal sheet and which are corresponding to the position of the through-holes of the removal sheet;
- (d) a water adsorbent material fixing sheet adhered on the spacer sheet, having through-holes whose diameter is smaller than the through-hole of the spacer sheet, and which are corresponding to the position of the through-holes of the spacer sheet; and
- (e) a coversheet covering a top of the water adsorbent material fixing sheet;

wherein the bottom sheet, the removal sheet, the spacer sheet, the water adsorbent material fixing sheet and the coversheet are sequentially laminated, and the water adsorbent material is held in each through-hole of the spacer sheet by being adhered by the water adsorbent material fixing sheet.

3. (Withdrawn) The multiwell plate according to claim 1, comprising:

- (a) a bottom sheet;

(b) a removal sheet adhered on the bottom sheet, and having plural through-holes;

(c) an auxiliary sheet adhered on the removal sheet, and having through-holes whose diameter is substantially same with the through-hole of the removal sheet and which are corresponding to the position of the through-holes of the removal sheet;

(d) a spacer sheet adhered on the auxiliary sheet, and having through-holes whose diameter is larger than the through-holes of the auxiliary sheet and which are corresponding to the position of the through-holes of the auxiliary sheet;

(e) a water adsorbent material fixing sheet adhered on the spacer sheet, and having through-holes whose diameter is smaller than the through-holes of the spacer sheet and which are corresponding to the position of the through-holes of the spacer sheet;

(f) a coversheet covering a top of the water adsorbent material fixing sheet;

wherein the bottom sheet, the removal sheet, the auxiliary sheet, the spacer sheet, the water adsorbent material fixing sheet and the coversheet are sequentially laminated, and the water adsorbent material is held in each through-hole of the spacer sheet by being adhered by the water adsorbent material fixing sheet.

4. **(Currently amended)** The multiwell plate according to claim 1, comprising:

(a) a bottom sheet;

(b) a spacer sheet having plural through-holes; and

(c) a coversheet covering the spacer sheet;

wherein the bottom sheet, the spacer sheet and the coversheet ~~having plural through-holes and the coversheet covering the spacer sheet~~ are sequentially laminated, each through-hole of the

spacer sheet is provided with a holding means for holding the water adsorbent material, [[and]] the water adsorbent material is held in each through-hole, and the bottom sheet is removable from the body.

5. **(Currently amended)** The multiwell plate according to ~~any one of claims 1, 2, 3, and 4~~ claims 1 or 4, wherein the multiwell plate is sealed inside a packing container.